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**Proposed Project**

*Clostridium difficile* Infection (CDI) Surveillance (0920-0892, Expiration 07/31/2014) – Extension – National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## Background and Brief Description

Steady increases in the rate and severity of *Clostridium difficile* infection (CDI) indicate a clear need to conduct longitudinal assessments to continue to monitor changes in CDI epidemiology, including changes in risk factors for disease, as well as increases in incidence and severity of illness related to this pathogen.

The title and the goals of the project have remained the same since the publication of the 60-day Federal Register Notice and there were no changes in burden estimates or data collection forms from what is shown in the current inventory.

The surveillance population will consist of persons residing in the catchment area of the participating Emerging Infections Program (EIP) sites who are 1 year of age or older. This surveillance poses no more than minimal risk to the study participants as there will be no interventions or modifications to the care study participants receive.

EIP surveillance personnel will perform active case finding from laboratory reports of stool specimens testing positive for *C. difficile* toxin and abstract data on cases using a standardized case report form. For a subset of cases (e.g., community-associated *C. difficile* cases) sites will administer a health interview.

A total of 600 individuals who develop CDI will be contacted for a telephone interview annually and, of those, it is estimated that 500 will meet study inclusion criteria. The interview screening is estimated to take 5 minutes and the full telephone interview is estimated to take 40 minutes. Therefore, the total estimated annualized burden for this data collection is estimated to be 383 hours.

There are no costs to the respondents other than their time.

Estimate of Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondents	Form Name	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Avg. Burden per Response (in hrs.)
Persons in the community infected with <i>C. difficile</i>	Screening Form	600	1	5/60
	Telephone interview	500	1	40/60

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